Scope details, drawing are under finalisation for expansion of apron, provision of two aerobridges, visitors' lounge and associated works and are likely to be taken up during 2002-03. Proposal for construction of new international terminal building is at[1] planning stage and for construction of international cargo complex, statistical data is being collected to finalise the scope of work.

Ground Handling Services at Hyderabad Airport

2. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether selection process of private company for providing ground handling services at Hyderabad international airport has been completed;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what are the details of services which have been awarded to the company; and

(d) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative by when, the process will be over?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) The matter is under consideration. No definite time frame can be indicated at this stage.

Benefits of 'DESH—VIDESH' Scheme launched by IA

3. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA:
SHRI LALITBHAI MEHTA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of citizens who have availed of the benefit of 'Desh—Videsh' scheme launched by Indian Airlines for domestic travellers;

(b) whether it is a fact that the revision of the criteria of the family members, decided in the scheme, has been demanded; and

(c) what would be the fate of those who fulfil the mileage criteria but are not in a position to avail the benefit themselves in the event of non-revision of criteria of family members as decided in the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) As on 30th January 2002, 16,319 citizens have availed the benefit of 'Desh—Videsh' scheme-I launched by Indian Airlines for its domestic travellers.

(b) and (c) Under the Desh-Videsh-I offer, the prize ticket(s) could be availed by the passenger spouse, children, parents, brothers and sisters. The criteria has been revised under the Desh-Videsh-II offer and the prize ticket(s) can be availed by the passenger, family members and/or companion as advised by the passenger.

The revision of criteria was done for the benefit of the travelling public by widening the scope of Desh-Videsh-II offer valid from 16th November, 2001 to 15th February, 2002.

Air Services to Kanpur

4. SHRI NARENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the first Global Conference (Silicon Valley Contingent) held at Kanpur aimed at inviting investments to U.P., has expressed urgent need to restore air service to Kanpur linking it with Delhi; and

(b) if so, when this overdue airlink will be provided especially in view of the massive network of air-linking being launched by the Minister for Civil Aviation coupled with this status of Kanpur being industrial capital of U.P.?

TOE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) and (b) Due to inadequate passenger demend and operating crew constraints the flights to